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For: RECOMBINANT BACTERIAL STRAINS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF NATURAL NUCLEOSIDES AND MODIFIED ANALOGUES THEREOF

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RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated August 26, 2003, please consider the following.